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CASTRO STATEMENT

HAVANA PRENSA LATINA IN SPANISH TO LATIN AMERICA 1655 28 OCT E

(TEXT) HAVANA--PRIME MINISTER FIDEL CASTRO MADE PUBLIC THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

WITH RELATION TO THE PRONOUNCEMENT MADE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, JOHN F. KENNEDY, IN A LETTER SENT TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE SOVIET UNION, NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV, TO THE EFFECT THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD AGREE, AFTER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADEQUATE ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH THE UNITED NATIONS, TO ELIMINATE THE MEASURES OF BLOCKADE IN EXISTENCE AND GIVE GUARANTEES AGAINST AN INVASION OF CUBA; AND IN RELATION TO THE DECISION ANNOUNCED BY PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV OF WITHDRAWING THE INSTALLATIONS OF ARMS OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE FROM CUBAN TERRITORY, THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF CUBA DECLARES THAT THE GUARANTEES OF WHICH PRESIDENT KENNEDY SPEAKS—THAT THERE WILL BE NO AGGRESSION AGAINST CUBA—WILL NOT EXIST UNLESS, IN ADDITION TO THE ELIMINATION OF THE NAVAL BLOCKADE HE PROMISES, THE FOLLOWING MEASURES AMONG OTHERS ARE ADOPTED:

1--CESSATION OF THE ECONOMIC BLOCKADE AND ALL THE MEASURES OF COMMERCIAL AND ECONOMIC PRESSURE WHICH THE UNITED STATES EXERCISES IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD AGAINST OUR COUNTRY;

2--CESSATION OF ALL SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES, LAUNCHING AND LANDING OF ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES BY AIR AND SEA, THE ORGANIZATION OF MERCENARY INVASIONS, INFILTRATION OF SPIES AND SABOTEURS, ALL OF WHICH ACTIONS ARE CARRIED OUT FROM THE TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES AND SOME OTHER ACCOMPLICE COUNTRIES;

3--CESSATION OF THE PIRATE ATTACKS WHICH ARE BEING CARRIED OUT FROM BASES EXISTING IN THE UNITED STATES AND PUERTO RICO;

4--CESSATION OF ALL THE VIOLATIONS OF OUR AIR AND NAVAL SPACE BY NORTH AMERICAN WAR PLANES AND SHIPS;

5--WITHDRAWAL OF THE NAVAL BASE OF GUANTANAMO AND THE RETURN OF THE CUBAN TERRITORY BY THE UNITED STATES.

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SIGNED: FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, PRIME MINISTER OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT.

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